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MEMORANDUM FOR: Hon. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

SUBJECT: Communist Party Oaths and Pledges

Pursuant to an urgent request received yesterday from General Cutler, I have sent him this morning the attached memorandum giving a brief survey of Communist Party practices with respect to oaths and pledges taken when joining the Party. While this memorandum is based largely upon practices abroad, it also refers to the situation in this country, and in this connection I have pointed out that this phase of the matter is particularly within the competence of the Bureau. Please see the attached copy of my covering letter to General Cutler.

Allen W. Dulles

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